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Analysis

Aircraft take-offs and landings at the 91 Canadian airports with NAV CANADA air traffic control towers and flight service stations amounted to 5.6 million movements in 2017, an increase of 1.7% when compared to 2016.

Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International, Ontario (467,103 movements), Vancouver International, British Columbia (333,861) and Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International, Quebec (235,099) were the most active airports in 2017. For the first time since 1989, aircraft movements at Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International exceeded those at Calgary International Airport, Alberta (233,017).

Both itinerant movements (flights from one airport to another) and local movements (flights that remain in the vicinity of the airport) rose in 2017. Itinerant movements were up 2.0% to surpass 4.0 million, while local movements increased slightly (+0.8%) to 1.6 million.

In 2017, itinerant movements rose by 79,225 from the previous year, as 56 airports reported growth. The largest increases were observed at Canada's three busiest airports, with Vancouver International reporting the largest growth (+11,224 movements) followed by Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International (+8,991) and Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International (+8,432). The largest decreases in itinerant aircraft movements during the year were recorded at Toronto/Buttonville Municipal, Ontario (-15,912), Montréal/St-Hubert, Quebec (-8,020) and Kitchener/Waterloo, Ontario (-3,903). Activity at Toronto/Buttonville Municipal has declined in each of the last five years in anticipation of its eventual closure.

There were 1.6 million local movements recorded in 2017, representing an increase of 12,865 movements as compared with 2016. Red Deer Regional, Alberta (+16,256 movements), Chicoutimi/St-Honoré, Quebec (+15,344) and Montréal/Mirabel International, Quebec (+12,586) reported the largest gains in the number of local movements in 2017. These gains were partially offset by a reduction in local movements at Toronto/Buttonville Municipal (-25,726).

Itinerant movements: domestic, transborder and international

There were 3.4 million domestic itinerant movements (within Canada) reported at 91 Canadian airports in 2017, an increase of 2.1% (+68,528 movements) from 2016. The airports leading the gains in traffic were Moncton/Greater Moncton International, New Brunswick (+8,491 movements), Chicoutimi/St-Honoré (+7,641), Williams Lake, British Columbia (+7,309) and Red Deer Regional (+7,220). The airports showing the largest declines were Toronto/Buttonville Municipal (-16,013) and Montréal/St-Hubert (-7,722).

In August, the province of British Columbia declared 2017 to be the worst wildfire season since record keeping began in 1950. As a result of fire suppression activities in the area, domestic itinerant aircraft movements at the Williams Lake Airport showed a notable increase throughout the summer. Annual domestic itinerant aircraft movements at this location increased 89% to reach 15,557.

Ninety-one airports reported 481,618 transborder itinerant movements (between Canada and the United States) in 2017, virtually unchanged from the previous year (-0.02%). Overall, transborder itinerant movements declined in each of the four previous years. On a year-over-year basis, decreases in activity were reported by 50 airports, with the largest reductions at Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International, Nova Scotia, (-1,261 movements), Edmonton International, Alberta (-874) and Kitchener/Waterloo (-868). Among those airports with increases, the highest were recorded at Vancouver International (+4,761), Calgary International (+585) and Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International (+528). This was the fourth consecutive year of growth for Vancouver International, where transborder itinerant movements have increased 21% since 2013.

In 2017, sixty-six airports reported 176,266 other international itinerant movements, up 6.5% (+10,778 movements) from 2016. The gain was led by strong growth (+4,510) at Vancouver International. Together, Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International (79,738 movements), Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International (35,747) and Vancouver International (29,021) represented 82% of the total other international itinerant movements.

Table 1
Aircraft movements at airports with NAV CANADA towers and flight service stations, by type of operation

	NAV CANADA Towers		NAV CANADA flight service stations		Total	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
	number					
Number of airports in survey	41	41	50	50	91	91
Itinerant movements						
Air carrier	2,622,470	2,549,789	587,065	567,124	3,209,535	3,116,913
Other commercial	259,453	265,919	45,661	40,763	305,114	306,682
Private	273,710	285,569	110,403	113,874	384,113	399,443
Government						
Civil	41,613	41,060	20,333	19,088	61,946	60,148
Military	38,897	38,394	10,805	9,605	49,702	47,999
Total itinerant movements	**3,236,143**	**3,180,731**	**774,267**	**750,454**	**4,010,410**	**3,931,185**
Local movements						
Civil	1,233,993	1,256,779	310,940	274,526	1,544,933	1,531,305
Military	4,732	5,006	1,679	2,168	6,411	7,174
Total local movements	**1,238,725**	**1,261,785**	**312,619**	**276,694**	**1,551,344**	**1,538,479**
Grand Total	**4,474,868**	**4,442,516**	**1,086,886**	**1,027,148**	**5,561,754**	**5,469,664**

Source: CANSIM Tables 401-0023, 401-0024, 401-0025, 401-0030, 401-0031 and 401-0032

Table 2
Distribution of itinerant aircraft movements at airports with NAV CANADA towers and flight service stations, by sector (domestic, transborder and other international), by type of operation

	NAV CANADA Towers		NAV CANADA flight service stations		Total	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
	Movements					
	number					
Domestic						
Air carrier	2,027,910	1,966,820	579,669	559,708	2,607,579	2,526,528
Other commercial	257,292	263,564	45,540	40,553	302,832	304,117
Private	230,907	243,071	103,693	106,994	334,600	350,065
Government						
Civil	41,372	40,846	20,316	19,076	61,688	59,922
Military	35,242	33,959	10,585	9,407	45,827	43,366
Total, domestic	2,592,723	2,548,260	759,803	735,738	3,352,526	3,283,998
Transborder						
Air carrier	423,887	423,388	6,918	6,898	430,805	430,286
Other commercial	1,744	1,952	75	124	1,819	2,076
Private	40,204	40,026	6,270	6,445	46,474	46,471
Government						
Civil	221	194	15	5	236	199
Military	2,098	2,511	186	156	2,284	2,667
Total, transborder	468,154	468,071	13,464	13,628	481,618	481,699
Other International						
Air carrier	170,673	159,581	478	518	171,151	160,099
Other commercial	417	403	46	86	463	489
Private	2,599	2,472	440	435	3,039	2,907
Government						
Civil	20	20	2	7	22	27
Military	1,557	1,924	34	42	1,591	1,966
Total, other international	175,266	164,400	1,000	1,088	176,266	165,488
Total						
Air carrier	2,622,470	2,549,789	587,065	567,124	3,209,535	3,116,913
Other commercial	259,453	265,919	45,661	40,763	305,114	306,682
Private	273,710	285,569	110,403	113,874	384,113	399,443
Government						
Civil	41,613	41,060	20,333	19,088	61,946	60,148
Military	38,897	38,394	10,805	9,605	49,702	47,999
Total, itinerant	3,236,143	3,180,731	774,267	750,454	4,010,410	3,931,185

Source: CANSIM Tables 401-0029 and 401-0036

Table 3
Distribution of itinerant aircraft movements at airports with NAV CANADA towers and flight service stations, by type of power plant

	NAV CANADA Towers		NAV CANADA flight service stations		Total	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
	Movements					
	number					
Source of propulsion						
Piston engines	808,162	804,421	192,903	177,505	1,001,065	981,926
Turbo-propellers	1,061,212	1,016,115	417,781	417,789	1,478,993	1,433,904
Jet engines	1,188,241	1,182,383	49,499	49,391	1,237,740	1,231,774
Helicopters	166,519	167,342	109,487	101,835	276,006	269,177
Gliders	12,009	10,470	4,597	3,934	16,606	14,404
Total	**3,236,143**	**3,180,731**	**774,267**	**750,454**	**4,010,410**	**3,931,185**

Source: CANSIM Tables 401-0027 and 401-0034

Table 4
Distribution of itinerant aircraft movements at airports with NAV CANADA towers and flight service stations, by weight groups

	NAV CANADA Towers		NAV CANADA flight service stations		Total	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
	Movements					
	number					
Maximum take-off weight in kilograms						
Light						
2,000 and under	823,696	817,961	232,356	218,344	1,056,052	1,036,305
2,001 to 4,000	207,101	199,997	85,773	78,444	292,874	278,441
4,001 to 5,670	214,120	207,768	159,970	157,235	374,090	365,003
Total	1,244,917	1,225,726	478,099	454,023	1,723,016	1,679,749
Medium						
5,671 to 9,000	191,813	198,835	88,869	98,723	280,682	297,558
9,001 to 18,000	136,555	148,881	61,757	61,147	198,312	210,028
18,001 to 35,000	708,205	672,245	113,480	107,646	821,685	779,891
35,001 to 70,000	631,237	620,220	24,546	21,895	655,783	642,115
70,001 to 90,000	146,398	151,419	1,168	833	147,566	152,252
90,001 to 136,000	21,113	20,767	3,031	2,807	24,144	23,574
Total	1,835,321	1,812,367	292,851	293,051	2,128,172	2,105,418
Heavy						
136,001 and over	155,905	142,638	3,317	3,380	159,222	146,018
Total	155,905	142,638	3,317	3,380	159,222	146,018
Grand Total	3,236,143	3,180,731	774,267	750,454	4,010,410	3,931,185

Source: CANSIM Tables 401-0028 and 401-0035

Table 5
Aircraft movements, by tower category, by province and territory

	NAV CANADA Towers					NAV CANADA flight service stations				
		2017	2016	2017	2016		2017	2016	2017	2016
	Airports	Itinerant Movements		Local Movements		Airports	Itinerant Movements		Local Movements	
						number				
Newfoundland and Labrador	2	68,452	70,406	19,060	14,394	2	27,039	29,265	736	1,480
Prince Edward Island	0	...	...	...	...	1	11,064	11,052	6,131	4,529
Nova Scotia	1	78,972	80,332	5073	4,642	0	...	...	...	...
New Brunswick	2	124,281	114,592	107,160	108,558	1	13,048	12,779	7,323	6,084
Quebec	5	434,952	420,051	185,724	185,252	9	123,819	110,774	69,613	52,507
Ontario	11	953,121	962,799	279,881	307,130	7	152,965	151,437	65,833	60,708
Manitoba	2	151,015	145,757	74,400	70,575	3	44,480	43,758	9,107	11,109
Saskatchewan	2	98,070	98,908	51,323	45,798	2	29,845	34,465	3,244	6,061
Alberta	5	494,306	490,039	135,568	137,926	8	113,348	108,632	80,277	64,369
British Columbia	9	767,021	734,901	364,198	371,496	13	210,114	201,046	65,977	63,991
Yukon	1	21,069	19,487	10,618	9,614	0	...	...	...	...
Northwest Territories	1	44,884	43,459	5,720	6,400	2	19,199	20,023	3,860	5,242
Nunavut	0	...	...	...	...	2	29,346	27,223	518	614
Total	**41**	**3,236,143**	**3,180,731**	**1,238,725**	**1,261,785**	**50**	**774,267**	**750,454**	**312,619**	**276,694**

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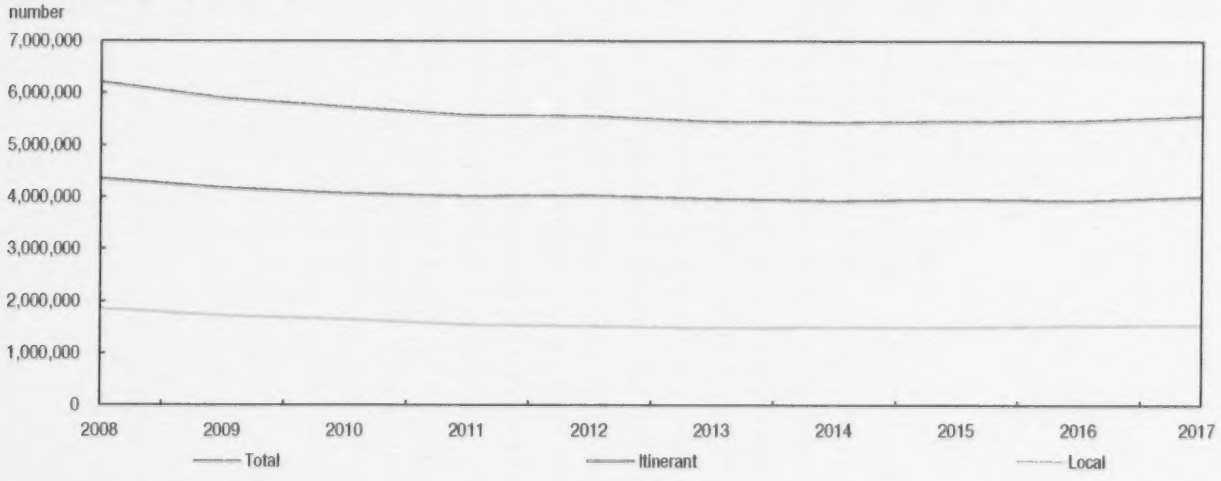
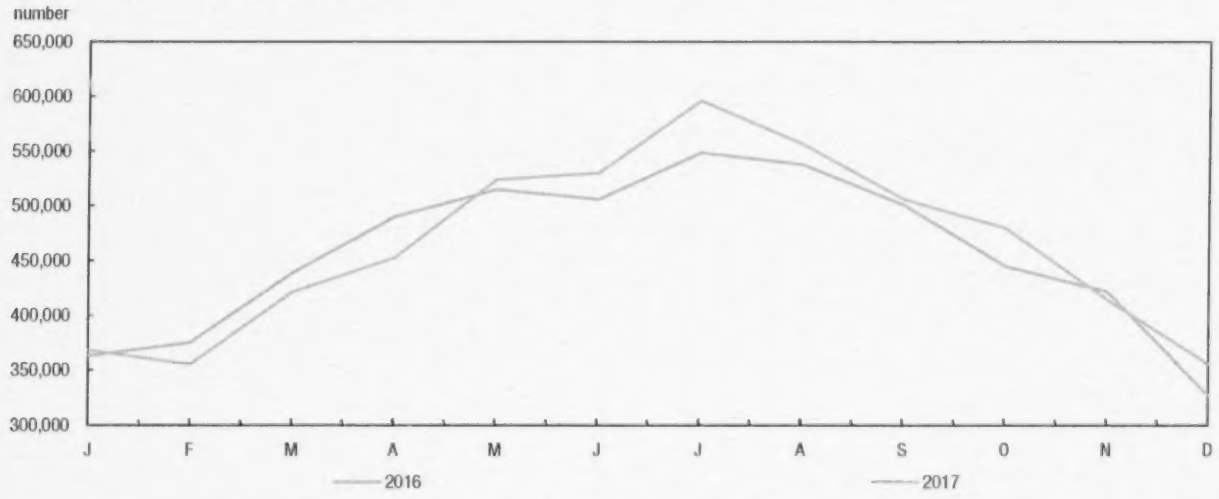
Source: CANSIM Tables 401-0023 and 401-0030

Chart 1
Total aircraft movements by class of operation at airports with NAV CANADA air traffic control towers and flight service stations, 2008 to 2017



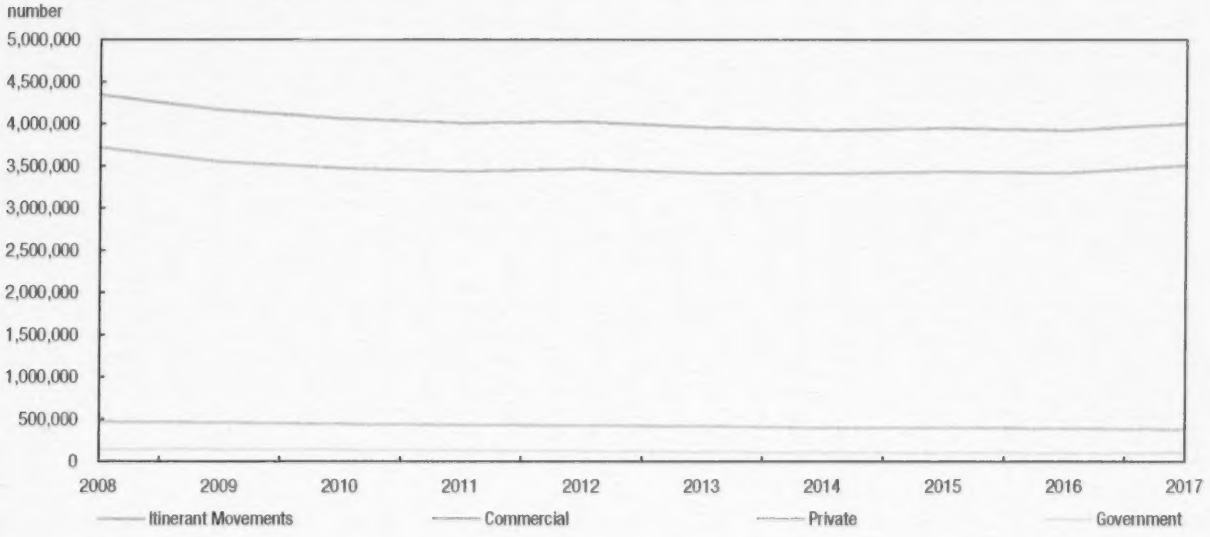
Source: CANSIM Tables 401-0023 and 401-0030.

Chart 2
Total aircraft movements at airports with NAV CANADA air traffic control towers and flight service stations, January to December, 2016 and 2017



Source: CANSIM Tables 401-0007 and 401-0014.

Chart 3
Itinerant aircraft movements by type of operation at airports with NAV CANADA air traffic control towers and flight service stations, 2008 to 2017



Source: CANSIM Tables 401-0025 and 401-0032.

Factors which may have influenced the data

2017

On December 31, 2017, Air Canada and Cargojet concluded their freighter partnership first announced in November 2016. The carriers had operated a scheduled freighter service to and from: Mexico City, Mexico; Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas; Atlanta, Georgia; Bogota, Columbia; Lima, Peru and Frankfurt, Germany. In a statement, Air Canada stated they would be increasing the freight capacity on its newly added daily 767 passenger flights between Canada and Mexico, and three additional weekly frequencies between Canada and Lima in 2018.

On December 29, 2017, WestJet began service from Hamilton, Ontario to Las Vegas, Nevada. This seasonal service will run twice weekly until April 27, 2018.

On December 29, 2017, Air Canada advised passengers that flights at Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International, Ontario and Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City, Ontario may be impacted due to the extreme cold weather conditions.

On December 28, 2017, WestJet issued an alert effective for Toronto until January 1, 2018, advising passengers that the weather conditions may cause delays or cancellations.

On December 28, 2017, freezing rain fell throughout the Fraser Valley in British Columbia. The weather resulted in some flight delays at Abbotsford. By the next day the freezing rain warning was extended to Metro Vancouver, especially in Surrey and Langley.

On December 26, 2017, Environment and Climate Change Canada issued extreme cold warnings for most of Alberta, the Prairies, Ontario and Western Quebec. The cold conditions were predicted to last until the weekend.

On December 23, 2017, Air Transat started service from Hamilton to Cancun, Mexico and Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic.

On December 22, 2017, Air Transat began service from Hamilton to Cayo Coco, Cuba and Puerto Plata.

On December 21, 2017, Sunwing began weekly flights from Mont-Joli, Quebec to Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. Service will operate until March 22, 2018.

On December 21, 2017, Air Transat started seasonal service from Hamilton to Punta Cana.

On December 21, 2017, Air Transat began service from London, Ontario to Cancun and Riviera Maya, both in Mexico. This seasonal service will run once per week until April 5, 2018.

On December 21, 2017, Porter Airlines resumed twice weekly winter service to Burlington, Vermont, from Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport. This seasonal service will operate until March 27, 2018.

On December 20, 2017, Air Transat began service from London to Punta Cana and Santo Domingo, both in the Dominican Republic. This seasonal service will run once per week until April 11, 2018.

On December 20, 2017, Sunwing started seasonal service from Hamilton to Varadero, Cuba.

On December 20, 2017, Sunwing began direct service from London to Cayo Coco. The service will operate until March 28, 2018.

On December 18, 2017, WestJet began service from Moncton/Greater Moncton International, New Brunswick to Orlando, Florida. This seasonal service will run until February 26, 2018, and recommence from March 5 to April 23, 2018.

On December 18, 2017, Sunwing began service from London to Montego Bay, Jamaica. This seasonal service will run once per week until March 26, 2018.

On December 18, 2017, Air Canada operated its inaugural flight from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport to Cartagena, Columbia. Since the beginning of December, Air Canada also began operation of the following new services: Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International to Belize; Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International, Quebec to Lima and Vancouver International, British Columbia to both Melbourne, Australia and Yellowknife, Northwest Territories.

On December 17, 2017, Sunwing began its seasonal service from Victoria International, British Columbia, to Los Cabos, Mexico. Service will run through April 8, 2018.

On December 17, 2017, Sunwing began its first ever vacation packages from Abbotsford. Service from Abbotsford to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, will run weekly until April 8, 2018.

On December 17, 2017, Sunwing started seasonal service from Hamilton to Montego Bay.

On December 17, 2017, Philippine Airlines (PAL) launched its first non-stop direct flight from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport to Manila, Philippines. PAL said it will operate non-stop Manila-Toronto and Toronto-Manila flights on a regular, four times per week schedule.

On December 16, 2017, Sunwing began seasonal service from Victoria International to Puerto Vallarta. The Saturday departures will go until April 7, 2018.

On December 16, 2017, Synergy Aviation Flight Training held its inaugural "Soarin' with Santa" event at the Edmonton/Villeneuve Airport, Alberta.

On December 16, 2017, Porter Airlines added non-stop weekly flights from Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier International Airport, Ontario and from Windsor, Ontario to Orlando-Melbourne, Florida. These are Porter's first U.S. flights from airports outside of its main base at Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport. The service will run until March 31, 2018.

On December 15, 2017, Flair Air expanded its service to four new airports: Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International; Vancouver International; Kelowna, British Columbia and Edmonton International, Alberta, operating several times per week.

On December 14, 2017, Sunwing began service from London to Varadero. This seasonal service will run once per week until April 5, 2018.

On December 14, 2017, WestJet Encore began daily service from Vancouver International to Comox and Nanaimo, both in British Columbia.

On December 8, 2017, Porter Airlines began winter service between Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport and Mont Tremblant, Quebec. Flights are available until April 2, 2018, with service up to five times weekly.

Between December 7 and December 14, 2017, Air Canada reported that fog and low cloud ceilings at Castlegar Airport, British Columbia, caused 55 out of 56 flights to be cancelled.

On December 2, 2017, WestJet began service from London to Orlando. This seasonal service will run once per week until April 28, 2018.

On December 1, 2017, Air Canada began the first ever non-stop flights between Canada and Melbourne. The seasonal service will run from Vancouver International Airport four times per week until February 4, 2018.

In December 2017, West Wind Aviation, based in Saskatoon, Stony Rapids and La Ronge, all in Saskatchewan, voluntarily suspended all flying operations.

Starting in December 2017, Air Transat began to fly the bulk of its winter service schedule to Mexico, the Caribbean and Central America. Some of the seasonal destinations which began during the month included the following: Edmonton, Alberta to Huatulco, Mexico (ends March 5, 2018); Montréal to Santo Domingo; Ottawa to Samana, Dominican Republic; Quebec City, Quebec to Cayo Coco; Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario to Punta Cana. Unless otherwise indicated these services end in April 2018. The airline increased the frequency, until March 2018, on the following routes: Montréal, Quebec to Liberia, Costa Rica and San Salvador, El Salvador; Toronto, Ontario to Managua, Nicaragua and Liberia. The frequency of flights was also increased from Vancouver to: Los Cabos (two flights), Puerto Vallarta (five flights) and Cancun (three flights), all ending in April 2018.

On November 21, 2017, college students across Ontario returned to class after the longest college faculty strike (5 weeks) in the province's history. Activity at several airports was impacted as flights operated by college aviation programs in Ontario were affected.

On November 13, 2017, it was announced that Sarliaq Aviation, a Nunavut-based company, in partnership with Quebec transporter Nolinor Aviation, had signed a 10-year agreement with Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd. to provide

air transportation for employees and cargo from Montréal and Abitibi-Temiscamingue, Quebec to the company's mining projects in the Kivalliq region in Nunavut. The new agreement will add flights to Rankin Inlet, in addition to Nolinor's existing transport to Agnico Eagle's Meadowbank open-pit gold mine, near Baker Lake. In all, Nolinor will be providing 416 flights per year, or eight flights per week to Nunavut.

On November 11, 2017, WestJet began seasonal service from Abbotsford to Puerto Vallarta.

On November 8, 2017, low visibility prompted the cancellation of 44 flights at Kelowna Airport.

On November 8, 2017, due to the impact of Hurricane Maria, Air Canada announced it would be suspending all flights to Luis Muñoz Marín International Airport in San Juan, Puerto Rico for the 2017-2018 winter season.

On November 7, 2017, flights were grounded at Goose Bay Airport, Newfoundland and Labrador, after snow clearing crews noticed that material used to seal cracks in the runway was coming loose and sticking to tires. Commercial flights by PAL Airlines, Air Borealis and Air Canada were all affected. The runways reopened on Friday, November 10.

On November 6, 2017, FLYGTA Airlines added daily service from Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport to Barrie-Orillia-Lake Simcoe Regional Airport, Ontario and to the Kitchener/Waterloo Airport, Ontario.

On November 3, 2017, one of two new flight options from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia began, as Ethiopian Airlines marked five years of service between the two cities. In December, 2017, the airline will add one more, increasing the weekly departures from three to five.

Effective November 3, 2017, WestJet began new non-stop weekly service between Calgary International Airport, Alberta and Belize City, Belize.

On November 2, 2017, WestJet began non-stop service from Edmonton International Airport and Huatulco.

In November 2017, Icelandair increased their seasonal service from Vancouver International to Iceland to a full year-round schedule.

Beginning in November 2017, WestJet began seasonal service between Hamilton and Orlando.

In November 2017, Air Transat began its seasonal service from Vancouver. The airline has flights to: Punta Cana; Cancun; Los Cabos and Puerto Vallarta which will continue until April 2018.

In November 2017, Sunwing Airlines introduced seasonal non-stop flights from Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International to Antigua, Antigua and Barbuda (beginning November 26), Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International to Antigua (beginning November 10) and Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International to Cayo Largo, Cuba (beginning November 7).

Starting in November 2017, Air Canada changed the frequency and routing for its overseas flights between Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield Airport, Nova Scotia and London Heathrow, United Kingdom. The previously scheduled 4/week Halifax-London Heathrow flights were reduced to two weekly flights operating as Halifax-St John's International, Newfoundland and Labrador-London Heathrow.

On October 29, 2017, Westjet began new non-stop weekly service between Vancouver International Airport and Huatulco. The service is part of the airline's seasonal schedule for the winter of 2017-2018.

Starting the week of October 29, 2017, WestJet added an additional eight weekly flights between Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier International Airport and Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport, bringing the total to 85 weekly flights. Additionally, WestJet's seasonal summer service of six weekly flights between Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier International Airport and Edmonton International Airport will now operate year-round. It previously offered the direct flights only between May and October.

Beginning on October 28, 2017, Korean Air Cargo launched regular scheduled, once weekly service to Edmonton International Airport, with a Boeing 747-8 freighter.

On October 27, 2017, due to the impact of Hurricane Maria on the island, Air Canada announced it had suspended all flights to Princess Juliana International Airport, St. Maarten for the 2017-2018 winter season. Other Canadian carriers also announced that they would be suspending flights for the fall-winter 2017-2018 season.

On October 26, 2017, Mexican low-cost carrier Interjet launched service to Vancouver International. The airline will operate four weekly flights each on Cancun-Vancouver and Mexico City-Vancouver routing.

On October 25, 2017, Delta Airlines terminated the daily flight between Québec/Jean Lesage International Airport and John F. Kennedy Airport, New York, New York.

On October 15, 2017, WestJet commenced twice daily service between Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport and Boston Logan International Airport, Massachusetts.

On October 10, 2017, an Antonov An-124 landed at Thunder Bay Airport, Ontario for the second time since August, 2017. It was the largest aircraft that has ever landed at this airport and was carrying parts for the Bombardier assembly line.

On October 10, 2017, Oshawa Airport, Ontario reopened after a runway rehabilitation project, which had both runways at the airport closed for five weeks.

On October 4, 2017, American Airlines ended seasonal service between Québec/Jean Lesage International and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The service began on June 2, 2017.

The Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre Inc. reported 5,305 fires covering 3,456,768 hectares as of September 30, 2017. This is an increase of 412 fires and 453,394 hectares from one month earlier and an increase of 620 fires and 2,067,873 hectares from the same time last year.

On September 21, 2017, Porter Airlines flew its inaugural non-stop flight from Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier International Airport to Saint John Airport, New Brunswick. The flight will be operated daily with a 74-seat Bombardier Q400 aircraft.

On September 20, 2017, Global Affairs Canada issued a statement regarding Hurricane Maria's progress through the Caribbean, urging Canadians in areas with an "avoid all travel" advisory to leave by commercial means while they were still available. As a result of the hurricane, many scheduled flights were cancelled and rescue flights added to bring Canadians home.

On September 15, 2017, the British Columbia government lifted a provincial state of emergency declared more than two months earlier for what would become the province's worst fire season on record. The declaration was made July 7 after dozens of out-of-control wildfires broke out in B.C.'s interior, forcing thousands of people from their homes. As of September 15, there were still 155 fires burning in B.C. and 11 evacuation orders were in place.

On September 12, 2017, Porter Airlines began daily service from Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier International Airport to Fredericton International Airport, New Brunswick.

On September 11, 2017, PAL Airlines began regular flights from Wabush, Newfoundland and Labrador to Mont-Joli. Flights are offered once per day on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

On September 5, 2017, due to Hurricane Irma, Global Affairs Canada's Travel Advice and Advisories raised their warning level to "avoid all travel" for the following destinations: Antigua and Barbuda, Anguilla, Montserrat, St. Kitts and Nevis, Saba, St. Eustatius and Sint Maarten, Saint Martin, St. Barthelemy, Guadeloupe, British Virgin Islands, U.S. Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, Vieques and Culebra. As a result, many flights out of Canada were cancelled and additional rescue flights were added to bring Canadian travellers home.

On September 5, 2017, a runway rehabilitation project began at Oshawa Airport, which saw both runways at the airport closed for 35 days.

The Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre Inc. reported 4,893 fires covering 3,003,374 hectares as of August 31, 2017. This represents an increase of 1,739 fires and 1,872,650 hectares from a month earlier. In 2016, the agency had recorded 4,832 fires covering 1,390,375 hectares by August 31.

In the summer of 2017, a new tour company, Fly ToTo Flight Escapes, based out of the Toronto/Buttonville Municipal Airport, Ontario, began to offer flights to popular Ontario attractions and destinations.

In late August 2017, hurricane Harvey caused the cancellation of 25 WestJet flights to and from George Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston, Texas.

On August 22, 2017, hundreds of firefighters and dozens of aircraft were working to contain one of the largest wildfires ever recorded in British Columbia. Nineteen wildfires covering 467,000 hectares in the provinces interior merged together. The Plateau fire stretched 130 kilometers from one end to the other.

On August 18, 2017, the province of British Columbia extended its state of emergency until September 1. The extension is in response to 138 wildfires burning and approximately 25,000 people under either evacuation orders or alerts.

On August 18, 2017, the province of Alberta reported 28 wildfires. In response, the province was using 200 firefighters, two special teams of incident management personnel, 21 helicopters, an air tanker crew and various pieces of heavy equipment to address the situation. The majority of the fires, including 5 listed as being out of control, were in the High Level Forest area.

On August 14, 2017, Wasaya Airways, based at Thunder Bay, launched new twice daily, non-stop service to Sandy Lake, Manitoba and Pikangikum, Ontario First Nations from Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson International, Manitoba and announced it would increase the frequency of flights between Winnipeg and Sioux Lookout, Ontario.

Operation NANOOK 2017, Canada's annual northern sovereignty operation, took place between August 12 and August 27. The Canadian Armed Forces deployed land, maritime and air components in two locations in the North: Rankin Inlet, Nunavut and northern Labrador.

On August 12, 2017, weather and reduced staffing at Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport caused delays and dozens of flight cancellations.

On August 11, 2017, the province of British Columbia declared 2017 to be the worst wildfire season since record keeping began in 1950. Since April 1, 2017, 894,491 hectares had burned. The previous record of 855,000 hectares was established in 1958. More than 3,800 personnel were engaged in combating the fires, with additional crews from New Zealand, Mexico and the United States due to arrive shortly.

On August 1, 2017, The Williams Lake Airport, British Columbia was re-opened for regular travel. Although fully manned, the airport had been closed to all activity except for fire suppression since July 7, 2017.

The Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre Inc. reported 3,154 fires covering 1,130,724 hectares as of July 31, 2017. This represents an increase of 1,514 fires and 960,048 hectares from a month earlier. In 2016, the agency had recorded 3,969 fires encompassing 1,293,072 hectares by the end of July.

In early July 2017, numerous wild fires broke out in British Columbia. The Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre Inc. reported 821 fires in the province, covering 426,022 hectares as of July 31. In response, the province declared a state of emergency, issued evacuation orders and deployed aircraft to several regions to assist in the fire suppression activities.

In July 2017, Conair Group, based at Abbotsford, provided 26 aircraft to battle fires burning in British Columbia in such places as Cache Creek, 100 Mile House, Williams Lake and Princeton.

On July 18, 2017, De Beers Canada inaugurated a direct flight from Calgary International Airport to Gahcho Kué Mine in the Northwest Territories. The employee charter flight will take place twice per week on a year-round basis.

On July 13, 2017, Elite Airways began twice weekly non-stop service from Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport to Portland, Maine with an option for passengers to continue to Sarasota-Bradenton, Florida.

On July 10, 2017, three additional air tanker crews from Air Spray Ltd., based out of Red Deer Regional Airport, Alberta, were deployed into British Columbia, The increase is in addition to the three crews already contracted to the British Columbia government for the 2017 fire season.

On July 10, 2017 the Canadian Forces confirmed the movement of three Griffon helicopters into Kelowna with larger fixed wing aircraft to arrive shortly thereafter. The aircraft will be on standby, to assist in firefighting efforts if needed.

On July 10 and July 18, 2017, smoke from numerous wildfires burning in British Columbia's interior caused delays and a handful of cancellations at Kamloops Airport, British Columbia.

On July 9, 2017, Central Mountain Air commenced service between Edmonton International Airport and Prince George, British Columbia. Flights will operate six days a week.

On July 7, 2017, the province of British Columbia closed the airspace of the Williams Lake Airport to all service with the exception of fire suppression efforts.

On July 1, 2017, Air Canada Rouge began non-stop, seasonal service between Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport and Algiers, Algeria. The flights are offered four times per week.

On July 1, 2017, Air Canada launched a new three-times weekly service between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International and Mumbai, India. This non-stop, year round service will be operated using a Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner.

In June 2017, Air Canada Cargo launched new services between Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International and Marseille, France, as well as extra flights between Canada and France (specifically, Lyon and Paris).

In June 2017, Air Canada Rouge added Iceland to its summer flight schedule, with flights operating four times and three times weekly from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport, respectively.

On June 30, 2017, Hong Kong Airlines began daily flights between Vancouver International Airport and Hong Kong, China, with an A330 aircraft featuring 18 business class and 246 economy seats. The airline plans to introduce an A350 aircraft in August.

Commencing June 24, 2017 Cathay Pacific will increase the capacity of its summer service between Toronto/ Lester B. Pearson International Airport and Hong Kong, with the addition of 4 weekly flights. The service will continue until September 4, 2017.

On June 24, 2017, Air Canada Rouge began daily seasonal service between Victoria International Airport and Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International using a Boeing 767. With a capacity of 280 passengers it is the largest regularly scheduled airplane to operate out of the airport. Continuation of the service will be reviewed in the fall. The airline also operates daily direct service to Toronto using an Airbus.

Starting June 24, 2017, WestJet reduced the number of flights between Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson International and London's Gatwick Airport, Great Britain. The number of flights were cut down to 10, from 22 flights in 2016. The reduction in flights will be effective until August 26, 2017.

On June 23, 2017, Air Canada commenced service between Vancouver International Airport and Boston Logan International Airport. The non-stop seasonal flight will operate daily until September 4, 2017.

On June 16, 2017, Air Borealis began operations in Labrador. Together with PAL Airlines, the Innu Development Limited Partnership (IDLP) and the Nunatsiavut Group of Companies (NGC), this partnership operates seven DHC-6 Twin Otters and primarily serves communities on Labrador's north and south coasts. It also provides medical travel – both scheduled and medevac flights to both coasts for the regional healthy authority, Labrador Grenfell Health. IDLP previously owned Innu Mikun Airlines in Northern Labrador, while NGC owned Air Labrador.

On June 15, 2017, WestJet began point-to-point service for the first time within the province of Quebec, with four daily flights between Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport and Québec/Jean Lesage International.

Starting mid-June 2017, EVA Air increased the frequency of its flights from Taipei, Taiwan to both Vancouver International and Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International to meet increasing demand. Daily non-stop service to Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport, Taiwan from Vancouver began June 15 and Toronto June 16.

On June 9, 2017, after a 14 year hiatus, Air Canada resumed flights between Taipei and Vancouver International. The daily direct service will be flown using a Boeing 787-900 Dreamliner configured to carry 298 passengers.

On June 9, 2017, Air Canada Rouge launched its new route from Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International to Marseille. The seasonal non-stop service will operate three times a week for the summer.

On June 8, 2017, Air Canada Rouge began seasonal service from Vancouver International Airport to London's Gatwick Airport. The flights will operate three times a week.

On June 5, 2017, Pacific Coastal Airlines added a new flight in British Columbia between Kelowna and Victoria International Airport.

On June 1, 2017, Air Canada Rouge began service four times per week from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport to Berlin, Germany.

On June 1, 2017, Aeromexico launched non-stop service from Calgary International to Mexico City.

On June 1, 2017, Vancouver International Airport celebrated the inauguration of two new non-stop seasonal services; Air Canada's daily service to Frankfurt and Air Canada Rouge's three times a week service to Nagoya, Japan.

On May 29, 2017, WestJet began non-stop seasonal service four times per week between Kelowna and Winnipeg/ James Armstrong Richardson International. The service will continue until September 2017.

Starting May 24, 2017 Sunwing changed several of its flights from Québec/Jean Lesage International to destinations in Cuba and Mexico from non-stop to direct via Montréal/Pierre Elliot Trudeau International or Ottawa/ Macdonald-Cartier International.

Starting May 21, 2017, First Air added a new trans-territorial flight spanning Nunavut and the Northwest Territories. The airline added a fourth weekly flight on its Iqaluit-Rankin Inlet-Yellowknife route.

In May 2017, several changes were initiated as a result of the termination of the code share partnership between Canadian North and First Air. Canadian North resumed a number of routes in the Qikiqtaaluk Region in Nunavut. Effective May 18, the airline began service, three times a week, between Iqaluit, Pangnirtung and Qikiqtarjuaq. Effective May 17, it began service, six times a week, between Igloolik and Pond Inlet. The same day, service also began, three times a week, between Iqaluit and Pangnirtung. This last route was originally planned to be between Iqaluit, Pangnirtung and Clyde River but was dropped by the airline. First Air made adjustments to its schedules in Nunavut starting May 17. The airlines' service between Iqaluit and Cape Dorset increased from five to six weekly flights. Service between Iqaluit, Clyde River, Pond Inlet and Resolute Bay would operate once weekly. Overall service between Iqaluit and Pond Inlet and Resolute Bay rose to six weekly flights. Service between Iqaluit and Igloolik grew from five to six weekly flights. Service in the Northwest Territories between Yellowknife and Inuvik resumed with one daily flight. Further, as part of its agreement with Summit Air, flights between Edmonton International and Yellowknife increased from 10 to 12 weekly flights.

From May 18 to June 29, 2017, WestJet launched overnight service four times per week from Kelowna to Toronto/ Lester B. Pearson International. Daily service will begin from June 30 to September 5, 2017. Service will be reduced to three times per week between September 6 and October 8, 2017.

On May 17, 2017, First Air ended its service between Yellowknife and Norman Wells, Northwest Territories.

On May 12, 2017, a new base for forest firefighting efforts officially opened at Jack Garland Airport in North Bay, Ontario. The facility consolidates crews and support staff from four locations into one building at the airport and will allow fire crews to be deployed faster to the surrounding areas.

On May 12, 2017, the runway extension at Red Deer Regional Airport became fully operational.

On May 5, 2017, nearly 150 flights scheduled to arrive and depart from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport were cancelled due to thunderstorms and poor visibility.

On May 4, 2017, WestJet started direct service between Calgary International and Nashville, Tennessee. The airline will operate two flights a week.

On May 1, 2017, Aeromexico Airlines increased capacity on all three of its existing Canadian routes, expanding Vancouver-Mexico City from 11 to 14 weekly flights, Montréal-Mexico City from 11 to 13 weekly flights and Toronto-Mexico City from 10 to 12 weekly flights. The increases will be maintained year round.

On May 1, 2017, Wasaya Airways launched a new non-stop service between Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson International and Sioux Lookout. This route operates on weekdays only.

On May 1, 2017, Air Canada commenced daily year round service between Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International and Washington Dulles International Airport, D.C.

On May 1, 2017, Air Transat changed its flight from Québec/Jean Lesage International to Paris from non-stop to direct via Montréal/Pierre Elliot Trudeau International.

In May, 2017, Air Canada introduced six new transborder routes, adding new service to five U.S. cities and expanding winter-only service to Phoenix, Arizona from Vancouver International to year-round. The new routes are as follows: Toronto to San Antonio, Texas (daily); Toronto to Memphis, Tennessee (daily); Toronto to Savannah, Georgia (daily); Vancouver to Denver, Colorado (twice daily); Vancouver to Phoenix (daily); and Montréal to Dalias-Forth Worth (daily).

On April 30, 2017, WestJet commenced service between Hamilton Airport and Vancouver International Airport. The flight will operate four times a week moving to a daily flight, June 28 to September 7. The flight will then return to four times a week until October 27.

On April 30, 2017, WestJet launched a daily direct flight between Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson International to Abbotsford.

On April 30, 2017, WestJet resumed daily non-stop flights between Gander International Airport, Newfoundland and Labrador and Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport.

On April 25, 2017, it was announced that airport operations at the Toronto/Buttonville Municipal Airport would continue until at least October 31, 2018.

Effective April 22 until May 28, 2017, Air Canada Rouge offered daytime non-stop service on Saturday and Sunday from Kelowna to Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International. Daily service will begin from May 29 to mid-September.

On April 10, 2017, China Southern's new three-times weekly Guangzhou, China-Vancouver-Mexico City service began. This service marks the first route between China and Mexico via Vancouver.

In April 2017, Calm Air cancelled flights to Gillam, Manitoba due to the soft runway conditions. The gravel runway was unsafe to land large planes.

Effective March 28, 2017, Cathay Pacific increased the capacity of its flights on two routes, Vancouver-Boston and Vancouver-Hong Kong. Flights between Vancouver International Airport and Hong Kong increased from twice daily to 17 flights per week. The airline operates the new Airbus 350-900. Earlier in the year, the airline had announced a codeshare arrangement with Air Canada which allowed Cathay Pacific customers to travel to major cities across the country on Air Canada domestic flights.

As of March 26, 2017, Air Canada stopped flying directly from Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier International to LaGuardia Airport, New York. The airline instead will offer flights from Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier International to Newark Airport, New Jersey.

On March 23, 2017, the new Cariboo Fire Centre officially opened at Williams Lake Airport. The $7.1-million facility will improve the B.C. Wildfire Service's ability to respond to wildfires in the central interior of British Columbia. It is one of the busiest wildfire response jurisdictions in British Columbia, covering about 10.3 million hectares.

On March 17, 2017, two Cessnas operated by Cargair Aviation collided in mid-air over St-Bruno, Quebec. Several of the Cargair flight school campuses suspended activities for a few days immediately following the accident.

On March 15, 2017, WestJet launched twice daily service between Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport and Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport.

On March 15, 2017, Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport reported more than two dozen flight cancellations and delays due to a winter storm which caused power outages throughout the province.

On March 14, 2017, a powerful winter storm pounded southern and central Quebec. Most flights at Montréal/Pierre Elliot Trudeau International Airport were cancelled or delayed.

On March 7, 2017, Regina International Airport, Saskatchewan cancelled and delayed numerous flights due to blizzard conditions.

Starting March 3, 2017, Air Transat began service from Moncton/Greater Moncton International to several seasonal destinations: Cancun; Punta Cana and Varadero. All of these flights will continue until mid-May, 2017.

On February 16, 2017, Air Canada launched daily year-round flights from Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International to Shanghai, China.

Starting February 5, 2017, Air Canada began daily year-round non-stop flights between Dallas-Fort Worth Airport and Vancouver International.

On February 3, 2017, WestJet inaugurated daily service from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International to Sudbury, Ontario.

On January 8, 2017, Delta Air Lines resumed daily, year-round service between Halifax and New York, John F. Kennedy. It previously served the route seasonally between 2008 and 2012 and again between September 2015 and September 2016.

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In 2016, Air Canada reduced the number of flights between Kamloops, British Columbia and Vancouver International, British Columbia.

On December 30, 2016, Beijing Capital Airlines (BCA) began service between Vancouver International and Hangzhou, via Qingdao, both in China. The new three-times weekly service marks the first time Beijing Capital Airlines has flown to any destination in North America.

On December 26, 2016, several flights out of Thunder Bay Airport, Ontario were cancelled due to a winter storm.

On December 22, 2016, Air Canada Rouge introduced twice-weekly non-stop seasonal flights between Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport, Quebec and Costa Rica's San Juan Santamaria International Airport, with service operating until April 23, 2017.

On December 20, 2016, China Eastern began non-stop, three-times weekly service between Vancouver International and Nanjing, China. This new, year-round service marks the first connection between Canada and Nanjing.

On December 20, 2016, Air Canada began a new year-round service between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport, Ontario and Port of Spain, Trinidad.

On December 17, 2016, Air Canada inaugurated a new non-stop service between Montréal/Pierre Elliot Trudeau International Airport and Puerto Rico. The weekly flights will operate as a winter seasonal service.

Starting December 16, 2016, Sunwing began new seasonal flights to Freeport, Bahamas from Saskatoon and Regina, both in Saskatchewan. Regina also received a new seasonal flight to Manzanillo, Mexico starting December 21, 2016.

On December 15, 2016, Sunwing started seasonal flights to Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic from Saskatoon.

On December 14, 2016, Cargair began to operate a training facility at Montréal/Mirabel International Airport, Quebec. The flight school was previously located at Mascouche, Quebec.

On December 9, 2016, Porter Airlines began winter service between Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport, Ontario and Mont Tremblant, Quebec. Flights will be available until April 3, 2017, with service up to six times weekly during the peak schedule.

In December 2016, Canadian North cancelled its code-sharing flights from Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier International Airport, Ontario to Iqaluit, Nunavut. This route was serviced by First Air.

In November 2016, the city of Mascouche closed the private airport that had been operating in the city.

On November 18, 2016, Air Canada Rouge launched weekly service between Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. The route will be flown three times a week by mid-December 2016.

On November 18, 2016, Hawkair Aviation Services filed for bankruptcy, suspending all operations.

Starting November 7, 2016, Perimeter Aviation added flights in Ontario from Sioux Lookout to Bearskin Lake First Nation and Thunder Bay to Bearskin Lake First Nation.

On November 6, 2016, Sunwing Vacations introduced a new weekly service from Kelowna, British Columbia to Cancun, Mexico. This service will run until April 9, 2017.

On October 31, 2016, Toronto Airways Inc. and the Canadian Flight Academy announced their move of operations from Toronto/Buttonville Municipal Airport, Ontario to Oshawa Airport, Ontario. In order to accommodate the move, Toronto Airways at Toronto/Buttonville Municipal will be closed effective November 23, 2016. The Canadian Flight Academy will be closed effective November 30, 2016.

Beginning October 29, 2016, WestJet began seasonal service from Moncton/Greater Moncton International, New Brunswick to Cancun. The service will continue until April 29, 2017.

On October 29, 2016, the St John's Airport Authority seized one of the aircraft of National Airlines passenger operations due to a financial issue. The airline subsequently announced that they were cancelling several flights in November and December and decided not to extend service to St John's, Newfoundland and Labrador beyond January 6, 2017.

On October 29, 2016, WestJet launched its first flight from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport to Belize City, Belize. The new non-stop seasonal service will operate two times a week.

On July 25, 2016, Vancouver International Airport celebrated the inaugural flight of Xiamen Airlines to North America. The new year-round, non-stop Boeing 787 service will operate three times weekly between Vancouver International and Xiamen Gaoqi International Airport, China.

On October 24, 2016, Perimeter Aviation service to Sioux Lookout was expanded to include the Ontario First Nation communities of Deer Lake, Sachigo Lake, Weagamow (Round Lake) and North Spirit Lake with many of these new flights connecting to Bearskin Airlines service to and from Thunder Bay.

On October 20, 2016, Air Canada inaugurated the only non-stop service from Vancouver International Airport to Delhi, India. The airline will operate flights three times a week.

The Canadian North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) Region began its annual field training exercise in Inuvik, Nunavut and the surrounding areas on October 17, 2016. The live-fly field training exercise will run to October 21, 2016.

As of October 7, 2016, Porter Airlines began daily flights between Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport to North Bay, Ontario.

Effective October 6, 2016, Calgary International Airport was renamed to YYC Calgary International Airport, Alberta.

As of October 5, 2016, American Airlines ended its service between Kitchener/Waterloo Airport, Ontario and Chicago O'Hare International Airport, Illinois.

As of October 1, 2016, Hawkair suspended flights from Terrace, British Columbia to Vancouver International Airport.

Starting in October 2016, United Airlines increased flights from Edmonton, Alberta to Denver, Colorado to two per day.

Effective September 19, 2016, Bearskin Airlines increased service between the Ontario cities of Thunder Bay, Sault Ste. Marie and Sudbury. All nonstop service between Thunder Bay-Sault Ste. Marie and Sault Ste. Marie-Sudbury will increase from 23 to 33 flights weekly. Service between Thunder Bay and Sudbury will increase from 29 to 40 flights weekly including a combination of nonstop and one stop same aircraft service.

On September 18, 2016, the City of Brandon, Manitoba announced that WestJet was ending direct flights between Brandon and Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport. The service was introduced earlier this year as a trial run.

On September 15, 2016, Greater Toronto Airways began daily flights from Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport to Niagara District Airport in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario.

On September 12, 2016, Watson Lake Airport, Yukon, welcomed the arrival of its first scheduled commercial flight since the 1990's. The Alkan Air flight originated from Whitehorse, Yukon.

On September 5, 2016, Integra Air launched a new scheduled air service in Alberta between Edmonton International and Medicine Hat.

Operation NANOOK 2016, Canada's annual northern sovereignty operation began on August 21, 2016. The Canadian Armed Forces deployed land, maritime and air components in three locations in the North: Rankin Inlet, Nunavut; Whitehorse and Haines Junction, Yukon.

Effective August 18, 2016, Moncton/Greater Moncton International Airport was renamed Greater Moncton Roméo Leblanc International Airport.

On August 6 and 7, 2016, Edmonton/Villeneuve Airport, Alberta boosted their regional profile by hosting their second annual Edmonton Airshow.

As of August 1, 2016, Delta Airlines suspended flights to and from Regina International Airport and Minneapolis, Minnesota.

For the month of August 2016, Central Mountain Air continued to offer flights in British Columbia between Dawson Creek and Prince George after a trial run the previous month.

The Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre Inc. reported 3,969 fires covering 1,293,072 hectares as of July 31, 2016. This represents an increase of 944 fires and 412,915 hectares from a month earlier. In 2015, the agency had recorded 5,766 fires encompassing 3,889,663 hectares by the end of July.

Starting July 28 and 29, 2016, WestJet commenced a seasonal non-stop service connecting, Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson International Airport, Manitoba and Kelowna Airport, John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport, Ontario and Edmonton International.

On July 27, 2016, Montair Aviation, a flight training academy based in Pitt Meadows, British Columbia, opened their second training base at Red Deer Regional Airport, Alberta.

On July 25, 2016, NewLeaf, a new Canadian low-cost air travel company, inaugurated its first flight from John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport to Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson International. The company is contracting flights through Kelowna-based Flair Air.

On July 20, 2016, Qatar Airways Cargo launched new freighter services between New York (John F. Kennedy) and Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International, Nova Scotia.

On July 14, 2016, First Air suspended its three-times-a-week service from Iqaluit to Coral Harbour, Nunavut.

On July 13, 2016, First Air added an additional non-stop flight between Iqaluit and Cape Dorset, Nunavut.

On July 13, 2016, Cargair Max Aviation acquired the Air Médic operational base (land and an aircraft hangar) in St. Honoré, Quebec. Air Médic will continue to have access to the hanger. As part of the investment into its new flight school location, Cargair indicated it would be adding 12 aircraft and two flight simulators.

On July 1, 2016, Calm Air ended its midday flights connecting Flin-Flon, Manitoba, Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson International and Thompson, Manitoba.

Effective July 1, 2016, United Airlines suspended service from Edmonton International Airport to Chicago and to San Francisco, California.

On July 1, 2016, WestJet launched a new seasonal service between Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson International Airport and Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport. The airline will operate flights four times a week until September 2016.

For the month of July 2016, Central Mountain Air will be offering flights between Dawson Creek and Prince George on a weekly basis.

The Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre Inc. reported 3,025 fires covering 880,157 hectares as of June 30, 2016. This represents an increase of 1,065 fires and 25,152 hectares from a month earlier. In 2015, the agency had recorded 4,076 fires encompassing 1,352,281 hectares by the end of June.

On June 30, 2016, Hainan Airlines became the first carrier to offer non-stop flights to China from Calgary International. The airline will operate flights three times a week.

On June 30, 2016, United Airlines dropped its direct flights to and from London Airport, Ontario and Chicago.

On June 29, 2016, WestJet began non-stop flights between London and Vancouver International Airport. The service will operate four times each week.

On June 29, 2016, WestJet launched a new seasonal service between Vancouver International Airport and Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport. The airline will operate flights four times a week until September 2016.

On June 29, 2016, WestJet began service between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and Los Angeles, California. The service will operate three times each week. WestJet will be offering this route for the third time which was last operated in 2008.

On June 16, 2016, Air Canada launched the only year round non-stop service between Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport and Lyon-Saint Exupéry, France. The flights will operate five times a week during the summer and four times a week during the winter.

Effective June 16, 2016, WestJet began service between Vancouver International Airport and San Diego, California. The flights will be offered three times a week.

On June 14, 2016, Air Canada Rouge inaugurated its first flight from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport to Warsaw Chopin Airport, Poland. The new non-stop seasonal service will operate four times a week until September 25, 2016.

On June 13, 2016, Air Canada Rouge started a new seasonal non-stop service between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and Glasgow Airport, Scotland. The flights will be offered three times a week until September 25, 2016.

On June 13, 2016, First Air launched a second daily non-stop flight between Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport and Kuujjuaq, Quebec.

On June 10, 2016, Air Canada Rouge inaugurated its first flight from Vancouver International Airport to Dublin, Ireland. The airline will operate flights three times a week until October 8, 2016.

On June 10, 2016, Air Canada Rouge commenced flights between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and Budapest, Hungary. The non-stop seasonal service will operate three times a week.

Fort McMurray International Airport, Alberta resumed commercial air service on June 10, 2016. The airport authority had suspended all commercial air traffic, May 5, 2016, as the result of forest fires in the surrounding area.

On June 9, Delta Airlines increased flights from Edmonton to Seattle, Washington to twice daily.

On June 4, 2016, Air Canada began a new route from Vancouver International to Chicago O'Hare International Airport.

On June 3, 2016, Air Canada began weekly service from Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport to Casablanca, Morocco. The flights will be operated by Air Canada Rouge until October 29, 2016. Service is scheduled to resume on May 1, 2017.

On June 3, 2016, Condor Airlines began weekly service from Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport to Munich, Germany.

On June 2, 2016, Air Canada began a new route from Vancouver International to San Diego.

On June 2, 2016, Air Canada's inaugural flight AC35, 787 Dreamliner service from Vancouver International arrived in Brisbane, Australia. These new flights between the two cities will begin daily service on June 17, 2016.

In the summer of 2016, WestJet launched a new nonstop route from Calgary International to Thunder Bay.

As of May 31, the Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre Inc. (CIFFC) reported a total 1,960 fires covering 855,005 hectares across Canada in 2016. The majority of these occurred in Alberta, which recorded 525 fires encompassing 595,709 hectares, approximately 70% of the total area covered by forest fires nationwide. During the same period in 2015 the agency recorded more fires (2,503) across Canada, however the coverage was not as widespread (239,313 hectares).

In May 2016, WestJet suspended non-stop flights from Abbotsford, British Columbia to Las Vegas, Nevada.

On May 31, 2016, Air Labrador began service between several airports in Newfoundland and Labrador: Happy Valley-Goose Bay, St. John's and Deer Lake.

On May 30, 2016, American Airlines ended its service between Phoenix, Arizona and Calgary International.

Beginning May 30, 2016, Innu Mikun Airlines launched a new morning service from several airports in the North Coast of Labrador to Happy Valley-Goose Bay. This service will begin in Nain in the morning with service to Natuashish then to Happy Valley-Goose Bay, also allowing for a morning connection to Gander, Newfoundland and Labrador and St. John's via PAL Airlines.

On May 24, 2016, Air Canada began new flights between Hamilton and Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport.

On May 22, 2016, National Airlines suspended service between Windsor Airport, Ontario and Orlando Sanford International Airport, Florida.

On May 19, 2016, Air Canada Rouge launched its new seasonal non-stop service between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and London-Gatwick, United Kingdom. The flight will operate daily during the summer.

On May 16, 2016, Island Express Air started daily flights in British Columbia, between Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland. The airline will fly from Comox Airport to serve Abbotsford, Victoria International, Boundary Bay and Nanaimo.

On May 11, 2016, First Air and Air North announced that they will codeshare on selected flights between Ottawa, Yellowknife, Northwest Territories and Whitehorse. The first codeshare flight will depart Whitehorse May 15, 2016. The flights will operate twice weekly by a Boeing 737-500.

Beginning May 11, 2016, Korean Air Cargo added a second weekly flight from Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport to South Korea.

On May 11, 2016, WOW a low-cost Icelandic airline began flights began between Reykjavik, Iceland and Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International. The airline will start with service 4 times per week increasing to 5 times per week as of July 9.

On May 9, 2016, Air Canada commenced service between Vancouver International and San Jose, California. The flights will operate twice-daily.

On May 7, 2016, Air Canada commenced service from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International to Jacksonville, Florida. The flights will operate two times a week.

Starting May 6 and May 7, 2016, WestJet launched its new non-stop service between six Canadian cities and London-Gatwick. Flights from Vancouver International, Calgary International and Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International airports began May 6, while service from Edmonton International Airport, Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson International Airport and St. John's International Airport began May 7.

On May 6, 2016, WestJet cancelled direct flights from Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International to Gander to add more direct flights to Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport.

On May 5, 2016, the Fort McMurray Airport Authority suspended commercial air traffic as a result of forest fires in the surrounding area. The airport, however, continued to operate as a key transportation infrastructure for emergency operations and the transportation of food and supplies for first responders and evacuees.

On May 4, 2016, WOW began flights from Reykjavik to Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International, offering flights 5 times per week.

On May 3, 2016, US Airways cancelled its service between Phoenix and Edmonton International Airport.

On May 1, 2016, British Airways introduced the A380 on their existing London Heathrow, United Kingdom to Vancouver International Airport route.

Starting May 1, 2016, Air Canada increased capacity by 48% on flights between Happy Valley-Goose Bay and Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International as well as the connection between Happy Valley-Goose Bay and St. John's International. The new Bombardier Q400 aircraft seats 74 passengers, 24 more seats than the Bombardier CRJ held.

WestJet Encore began daily service on April 15, 2016, between Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport and Boston, Massachusetts.

On April 15, 2016, WestJet added a second daily flight between Deer Lake, Newfoundland and Labrador and Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International.

On April 7, 2016, SN Brussels Airlines began 5 / week service between Brussels, Belgium and Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport. The route was initially scheduled to begin service on March 29, 2016, but was delayed due to the terrorist attacks at Brussels Airport, Belgium on March 22, 2016.

On April 5, 2016, Saskatoon-based Mitchinson Flight Centre opened a new satellite flight training school in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. The satellite school was open until the end of June, and gave participants the ability to begin their training and obtain their private pilot's license within a three-month period.

On April 4, 2016, Delta Airlines began a new non-stop service from Victoria International Airport to Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, Washington. The flights will operate three times daily.

On April 3, 2016, Air Canada ceased its operations between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and JFK International airport in New York, New York.

In April 2016, Air Canada suspended one round trip flight between Vancouver and Terrace. Westjet as well will no longer operate its early morning flight to Vancouver and late night return to Terrace.

On March 27, 2016, Mt. Pavlof, a volcano on the Alaska Peninsula, erupted with little advance notice spewing an ash cloud up to 20,000 feet (6,100 m) high and prompting aviation warnings. Flights were affected in the territories, and as far away as Regina.

Starting March 15, 2016, WestJet launched non-stop service between London and Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport.

On March 15, 2016, WestJet Encore began 3 times a day service between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and Boston.

Effective March 14, 2016, Provincial Airlines introduced a new same day return flight from Stephenville, Newfoundland and Labrador to St. John's International. An additional evening flight also was offered connecting St. John's International, Deer Lake, Newfoundland and Labrador and Stephenville.

Beginning March 8, 2016, Air Transat launched weekly service from Fredericton International, New Brunswick to Cancun. The flights will operate until May 10, 2016.

From March 6 - 11, 2016, as part of the 2016 Artic Winter Games, Air Greenland and several other airlines operated flights between Nuuk, Greenland and Iqaluit. As Nuuk does not have a hockey rink the hockey competition was hosted by Iqaluit.

On March 5, 2016, WestJet eliminated flights between Edmonton International and Kamloops and Edmonton International and Nanaimo.

On March 4, 2016, Air Transat began seasonal service from Moncton/Greater Moncton International Airport to Varadero, Cuba. The flights will operate until May, 2016.

In February 2016 (leap year) an additional day of aircraft movements were reported.

On February 24, 2016, a winter storm hit Chicago and moved into eastern Canada. The combination of snow and freezing rain led to dangerous travel conditions with over 1,000 flights cancelled in Chicago. Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport had about 140 flights cancelled.

On February 21, 2016, Air Transat began service from Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport to Cayo Coco, Cuba. The flights will operate weekly.

A major snowstorm hit eastern Canada on February 16, 2016. Ottawa received 51 cm of snow, a one-day record snowfall.

On February 15, 2016, WestJet ceased operations for the Calgary-Prince George, Calgary-Terrace and Fort McMurray-Kelowna routes, and reduced service on the Calgary-Brandon, Calgary-Edmonton and Calgary-Fort McMurray routes.

On February 15, 2016, Air Canada Rouge commenced weekly flights between Vancouver International and Cancun.

On February 13, 2016, Sunwing began seasonal weekly flights to Varadero from Fredericton International. The flights will operate until May 7, 2016.

American Airlines ended its service between Edmonton and Dallas, Texas on February 10, 2016.

On February 9, 2016, Sunwing began seasonal weekly flights to Holguin, Cuba from Fredericton International. The flights will operate until May 3, 2016.

A major snowstorm hit Atlantic Canada on February 8 and 9, 2016 with Halifax and St. John's being particularly hard hit.

Freezing rain in the Ottawa area cancelled numerous flights in and out of Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier International on February 3, 2016.

On February 2, 2016, United Airlines ended its daily service between St. John's International Airport and Newark Liberty International Airport, New Jersey.

From January 22 – 26, 2016, snowstorm Jonas hit the eastern seaboard of the United States and cities including New York and Washington, DC received record or near record snowfalls. Overall, about 12,000 flights were cancelled over the four-day period, a number of which were destined for Canada.

On January 18, 2016, National Airlines began a twice-weekly service between St. John's International Airport and Orlando, Florida (Sanford International Airport).

On January 17, 2016, the Maritimes were hit with their third major snowstorm of the week.

Effective January 15, 2016, Perimeter Airlines discontinued service to Dauphin, Manitoba. The airline advised this was in part due to the loss of their contract with Purolator courier air freight. In October 2015, the airline started to reduce flights on this route.

Beginning January 2016, WestJet doubled the number of flights from Brandon to Calgary, International Airport.

In January 2016, Castlegar Airport, British Columbia cancelled 61% of all flights due to poor weather conditions.

In January 2016 and over several months in 2015, Great Slave Helicopters made numerous cost cuts in response to the continued slowdown of the mining and oil and gas sectors. Support and management positions were also transferred out of Yellowknife to Calgary.

2015

Having already impacted travel at both Chicago, Illinois and Detroit, Michigan, airports in the U.S. Midwest, a major snowstorm hit central and eastern Canada on December 29, 2015 causing delays and cancellations in southern Ontario and western Quebec, including Toronto, Ottawa, and Montréal airports.

On December 27, 2015, Air China launched non-stop service from Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport, Quebec to Havana, Cuba. The flights will operate three times per week.

On December 19, 2015, Porter Airlines began seasonal service between Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport, Ontario and Melbourne, Florida. The flight will operate once a week.

On December 19, 2015, Delta Airlines began daily service between Edmonton International, Alberta and Seattle, Washington.

WestJet began seasonal service between Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island and Orlando, Florida on December 18, 2015. The flight will operate once a week.

On December 17, 2015, National Airlines inaugurated a twice-weekly service between Windsor, Ontario and Orlando, Florida (Sanford International Airport).

On December 10, 2015, Air New Zealand increased its services between Vancouver International Airport, British Columbia and Auckland, New Zealand from five times per week to daily service.

On December 10, 2015, WestJet began seasonal service between Waterloo, Ontario and Orlando. The flight will operate once a week.

Aeromexico launched a daily non-stop service on December 9, 2015 between Vancouver International Airport and Mexico City, Mexico.

On December 1, 2015, North Star Air expanded their services in Northern Ontario with the introduction of three new routes. These routes connect a number of smaller communities with Red Lake, Sioux Lookout and Thunder Bay, Ontario.

In December 2015, Moncton/Greater Moncton International Airport, New Brunswick lost a cargo route to Europe after KF Aerospace, which was running flights full of seafood directly to Europe, halted service.

On November 3, 2015, Air Canada launched non-stop service from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport, Ontario to Dubai, United Arab Emirates. The flights will operate three times per week.

On November 2, 2015, Canadian North and First Air – which together serve western Nunavut through a code share agreement put in place last summer – will add flights between Kugluktuk and Cambridge Bay.

On November 1, 2015, Air Canada launched non-stop service from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport to Delhi, India. The flights will operate four times per week.

In October 2015, Alkan Air opened a new flight training facility at Whitehorse Airport, Yukon.

On October 29, 2015, WestJet launched non-stop service from Abbotsford, British Columbia to Las Vegas, Nevada. The flights will operate twice-weekly.

On September 29, 2015, Air China, in cooperation with Air Canada, launched a new direct flight connecting Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau Airport to Beijing, China. The flights will be operated by Air China initially three times per week.

Bearskin Airlines, on September 28, 2015, rolled out 23 new weekly non-stop flights in Ontario between Sudbury Airport and Timmins, North Bay, Sault Ste. Marie and Thunder Bay.

Porter Airlines inaugurated a non-stop flight from Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on September 21, 2015. The airline will operate two daily weekday flights from Toronto. Weekend service includes one roundtrip on Saturday and two on Sunday.

On September 8, 2015, WestJet began a new non-stop service between Calgary International Airport, Alberta and Houston, Texas. The airline will operate six flights per week.

Air China Cargo, on September 3, 2015, launched service to Edmonton International from Shanghai, China and Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas. The flights will operate six times a week, with three flights from Dallas and three from Shanghai.

The Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre Inc. reported 6,654 fires covering 3,953,056 hectares as of August 31, 2015, more fires and a bit more area than a month earlier. In 2014, the agency had recorded 4,681 fires encompassing 4,549,459 hectares by the end of August.

On August 31, 2015, Delta Airlines suspended its service between New York La Guardia Airport, New York and Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport, Nova Scotia.

The Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre Inc. reported 5,766 fires covering 3,889,663 hectares as of July 31, 2015. This represents an increase from the previous year when 3,331 fires covering 1,606,278 hectares were recorded. In several cases, particularly in Western Canada, air support was deployed to assist ground crews.

WestJet Encore, on July 15, 2015, launched new daily non-stop flights from Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport to Deer Lake Regional Airport and Gander International Airport both in Newfoundland and Labrador, and to Sydney Airport, Nova Scotia. The airline also inaugurated new daily non-stop service between Moncton/Greater Moncton International Airport, New Brunswick, and Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier International Airport, Ontario.

On July 7, 2015, the Moncton/Greater Moncton International Airport and KF Aerospace announced a new cargo service. KF Aerospace routes will include four times a week service between Moncton and Europe via Brussels, Belgium (DC10-30F), and future expansion will see daily service between Toronto and Atlantic Canada via Moncton/Greater Moncton International Airport.

In early July 2015, a rare, lingering fog and thick ice caused major delays in food shipments to Iqaluit, Nunavut. Cargo planes and combo planes (planes that carry cargo and passengers) were not able to fly in or out of Iqaluit Airport.

Dozens of flights out of Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport were cancelled July 3, 2015 due to a labour disruption between the airlines and their fueling companies.

On July 2, 2015, a new airline codeshare agreement between Calm Air and First Air came into effect for the Kivalliq region. Under this arrangement, Rankin Inlet, Nunavut replaces Churchill, Manitoba as the main regional hub. In addition, the announcement indicated a reduction in the number of multi-leg flights in the region with more direct flights into Rankin Inlet.

The Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre Inc. reported 4,076 fires covering 1,352,282 hectares as of June 30, 2015. This represents an increase from the previous year when 1,977 fires and 414,722 hectares were recorded. In several cases, particularly in Western Canada, air support was deployed to assist ground crews.

Air Canada, on June 5, 2015, further expanded its global network with routes from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International to Amsterdam, Netherlands and from Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport to Mexico City, Mexico.

On June 1, 2015, Air Canada launched its new non-stop daily service between Calgary International and Northwest Regional Airport Terrace-Kitimat, British Columbia.

On June 1, 2015, the main runway at St. John's International Airport, Newfoundland and Labrador closed to allow for several upgrades, including resurfacing and the addition of new lighting, with in-tandem work by NAV CANADA in establishing the new Category 3 instrument landing systems (Cat 3 ILS). The closure of the runway may result in flights being delayed or diverted. The runway is expected to reopen, in part, September 30, 2015.

On May 30 and 31, 2015, Fort McMurray Airport, Alberta experienced numerous flight cancellations and delays due to a nearby fire in Saprae Creek that caused airspace to be restricted for a portion of the airport's runway.

On May 29, 2015, WestJet began seasonal service from Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport to Glasgow, Scotland. The service will run until October 24, 2015.

Firefighting crews battled a large forest fire southwest of Prince George, British Columbia in mid-May 2015. More than 200 fire personnel, 13 helicopters, 30 pieces of heavy equipment and eight air tankers were involved in battling the fire.

On May 20, 2015, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines first non-stop flight between Amsterdam Schiphol Airport, Netherlands and Edmonton landed at Edmonton International Airport. The route begins with service 3 times per week with a fourth flight starting June 22.

Air Canada Rouge inaugurated a new route from Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport to Venice Marco Polo Airport, Italy on May 15, 2015. The service will operate twice-weekly.

Kenmore Air, an airline based in Seattle, suspended its service to Nanaimo Airport, British Columbia on May 4, 2015.

On May 1, 2015, WestJet began seasonal service from St. John's International Airport to Dublin, Ireland. This service will run until October 24, 2015.

On May 1, 2015, Air Canada expanded its international and domestic routes at four Canadian airports. New services were launched from Vancouver International Airport to Osaka, Japan and to Comox Airport, British Columbia. As well, new routes started from Calgary International Airport to Nanaimo Airport and to Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport.

On April 23, 2015, the main runway at Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport became fully operational after an Air Canada flight crashed on March 29. The runway was completely closed for about 10 days during this period.

On March 29, 2015, Air France launched its inaugural flight from Paris Charles de Gaulle, Airport, France to Vancouver International Airport. The flights will run three days a week and five days a week in summer.

Major snowstorms struck Atlantic Canada in mid-March 2015, forcing flight delays and cancellations.

Effective February 28, 2015, United Airlines ended flights between Denver International, Colorado and Regina International and Saskatoon/John G. Diefenbaker International, both in Saskatchewan. United flew two flights each day into these Saskatchewan cities.

On February 16, 2015, Kelowna International Airport, British Columbia experienced flight delays and cancellations due to fog.

On February 2, 2015, a formidable winter storm hit the Greater Toronto Area forcing flight cancellations at Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport.

Significant winter storms struck Atlantic Canada in February 2015 forcing numerous flight cancellations and delays. During the same time, eastern Ontario and southwestern Quebec recorded colder-than-normal temperatures.

In February 2015, United Airlines cut service from London, Ontario to Liberty International Airport in Newark, New Jersey.

A lake-effect snow band off Lake Ontario hit Halton and Hamilton, both in Ontario, forcing about 40 flight cancellations at Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport on January 26, 2015.

January 2015 was marked by extreme cold, heavy snow and freezing rain conditions across Canada forcing delays and flight cancellations at many airports.

2014

Air Canada launched a new non-stop seasonal service from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport, Ontario to Mont-Tremblant, Quebec. Air Canada Express will operate four weekly flights between December 18, 2014 and March 30, 2015.

Air Canada inaugurated new non-stop service between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The new service will be offered three days a week starting December 12, 2014.

All flights at Vancouver International Airport, British Columbia were briefly grounded November 30, 2014 after a water leak at the air traffic control centre.

On November 26, 2014, Air Canada Rouge commenced non-stop flights between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and Honolulu, Hawaii. The new service will be offered twice weekly.

A light snowfall combined with blowing snow delayed and cancelled a number of flights departing Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport on November 19, 2014.

Effective July 24, 2014, NAV CANADA terminated the services provided by the Flight Service Station located at Prince Rupert Airport, British Columbia. The airport remains operational.

On July 23 and 24, 2014, Air Canada halted flights to Tel Aviv, Israel due to a rocket strike near its main airport.

On June 28, 2014, Calgary International Airport, Alberta opened a new runway. The new runway will be the longest in Canada, capable of landing the largest aircraft in the world with fewer payload restrictions.

Effective June 27, 2014, WestJet Encore began service between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and Thunder Bay Airport, Ontario as well as service between Thunder Bay Airport and Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson International Airport, Manitoba.

As of June 25, 2014, China Eastern Airlines commenced flights from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport to Shanghai, China to supplement increasing demand for flights to and from Chinese destinations.

Starting June 24, 2014, WestJet commenced non-stop service twice per week between Las Vegas, Nevada and Fort McMurray Airport, Alberta.

Effective June 20, 2014, Canadian North Airlines began a seasonal non-stop flight service between Iqaluit Airport, Nunavut and Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield International Airport, Nova Scotia with same plane service to St John's International, Newfoundland and Labrador.

On June 15, 2014, WestJet launched its first transatlantic flight between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and Dublin, Ireland. The inaugural flight stopped at St John's International Airport for refueling.

On June 1, 2014, British Airways began to operate 19 flights per week between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and London, England, with the introduction of additional flights on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays.

As of May 1, 2014, Air Canada Rouge began flying year-round service between Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport and Dublin.

Air Canada Rouge will operate five new routes from Vancouver International Airport by the end of 2014, beginning with a daily service to Las Vegas on April 28. The airline will also offer daily services to Los Angeles, California (beginning May 1), Anchorage, Alaska (beginning May 16), San Francisco, California (beginning July 1) and Phoenix, Arizona (beginning December 17).

On March 12, 2014 a significant winter storm struck Eastern Canada forcing dozens of flight cancellations and delays at Eastern Canadian airports.

On March 3, 2014, Kenmore Air, a Seattle, Washington based airline launched a new non-stop service between Nanaimo Airport, British Columbia and Seattle. The airline will operate flights twice-daily.

On February 24, 2014, a major winter storm with freezing temperatures struck the south-west coast of British Columbia forcing flight cancellations and delays at Vancouver International Airport and Victoria International Airport.

On January 7, 2014, Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport experienced a ground stop caused by extreme cold which prevented North American flights from landing for approximately eight hours.

2013

Significant winter storms struck much of Ontario, Québec and the Maritime provinces forcing flight cancellations and delays across Canada in December 2013.

On November 30, 2013, Edmonton City Centre Airport, Alberta officially closed.

WestJet launched a new non-stop seasonal service between Calgary International Airport, Alberta and Miami International Airport, Florida in October 2013. The airline started service four times a week until December 14. Effective December 16th the service increased to six times weekly.

In July 2013, Air Canada began operations of its new leisure subsidiary Air Canada Rouge. Flying out of Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport, Ontario and Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau International, Quebec the new carrier will initially serve three European and ten Caribbean and Latin American destinations.

In June 2013, WestJet launched its new regional carrier, WestJet Encore, into operations. The new airline commenced flights to Fort St. John, Nanaimo, Vancouver and Victoria, all in British Columbia and Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

In April 2013, WestJet expanded its summer service from Hamilton Airport, Ontario by adding daily non-stop flights to Edmonton, Alberta; Halifax, Nova Scotia; Moncton, New Brunswick and Winnipeg, Manitoba.